REMARKS

Claims pending in the instant application are numbered 1-30. Claims 1-30 are presently subject to restriction/election. The Applicant respectfully requests that the present amendment be entered and that the instant application be reconsidered in view of the following remarks.

Election

In the November 30, 2004 Office Action, claims 1-30 are presently subject to restriction/election. In particular, the November 30, 2004 Office Action identifies separate species corresponding to Figures 5, 6, 7 and 8. The November 30, 2004 Office Action acknowledges that Figure 1 is generic.

Applicants hereby elect the species corresponding to Figure 5. Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-21 and 28-30 are readable on Figure 5. Accordingly, Applicants have canceled claims 22-27 without prejudice herewith.

If there is a deficiency in fees, please charge our Deposit Acct. No. 02-2666.

The Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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